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General Memoranda.

SUNDAY, July 12—
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THURSDAY, July 16—
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SATURDAY, July 18—
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THE NAVAL SCANDAL.

ON a few days ago we wrote an article in which we drew attention to the great service to the cause of peace which would, indirectly, be rendered by the assembling of the major portion of Great Britain's marine forces in the North Sea. We did not anticipate that a question in regard to the Navy which demands an immediate answer would thrust itself forward. It has, of course, been known, even outside of service circles, that Admiral Lord Charles Berosford was not on the best of terms with some of his subordinates or with the First Lord of the Admiralty, Sir John Fisher. But while this was common knowledge it was certainly unknown that the friction had developed to such an extent that the efficiency of the Fleet was endangered. It is well that the matter has become public as, otherwise, a condition of things which would be disastrous in the extreme would have continued to exist. Obviously it is impossible for us, with the limited information available, to pretend to decide who is in the right and who is in the wrong. A Reuters' message, published elsewhere, states that Lord Charles Berosford has demanded an enquiry. We can hardly suppose that this request will be refused. However

LOCAL AND GENERAL.

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CHINA'S TRIALS.

Yesterday was published a telegram stating that the Empress of China had ordered the various Viceroy and Governors in China to express their opinions on the question of a Constitution, with the object, if a majority was in favour of one, of making a proclamation before her next birthday. On the other hand if a majority is not in favour the question will be dropped. But if they do agree it is not easy to imagine a condition of things militating against settled government more markedly, or more really provocative of trouble in the administration of an empire, than is the situation portrayed from day to day, as existing among the rural population in certain parts of China to-day. Of the eighteen provinces the most northern may be adduced as an outstanding example and illustration. It bears the name, Chihli (Direct Rule) because the seat of the Government at Peking is within its boundaries. Parts of the extended area, comprising the province of Chihli, have suffered from continuous, destructive, devastating drought. The usual spring rains have been withheld; the crops have failed utterly; the villagers reduced to the direst straits have resorted to the usual desperate means of warding off starvation.

To the scandal of the high provincial authorities the public sale of children of both sexes was advertised to take place on certain dates at places in the prefecture of Tsun-Ning and the sales took place as appointed, until they were eventually stopped by official interference. During the continuance of the traffic many boys and girls of two years old and upwards were disposed of for prices as low as ten dollars and as high as fifteen dollars.

Investigation into the poverty and suffering of the people in this hapless region revealed the further circumstance that suicide by poison was commonly resorted to as a mode of deliverance from misery indescribable; the wretched victims of famine reaching out to meet death rather than sitting down to await its approach.

But these conditions are not confined to the Chihli area. Honan, immediately to the south, one of the most important and fertile provinces of China has also suffered and continues to suffer from the drought. Here are three great river basins—that of the Yellow River in the north, the water shed of the Han in the west and south-west, and the wide area drained by the Hui in the south-east. It is appalling to picture in this densely populated region a state of things similar to that described as taking place in Chihli. This economic and moral aspect of the situation is most menacingly significant. It may be affirmed with assurance that in ordinary seasons when the earth yields her increase, and food in abundance and variety adequate to satisfy the needs of the teeming myriads is forthcoming, the Chinese are easily governed. Their standard of comfort is low; with hard work and coarse food they are well content. Through the centuries they have toiled, and suffered, and died, being law-abiding, attached to their village homes and their ancestral temples and tombs; knowing no higher standard or ideals and being without ambitions save to make the most and best of their restricted opportunities—being well content to live and to let live.

A new era has dawned for the dwellers on the coast-board, for the inhabitants of great cities, and certain classes of industrial workers. It is about to dawn for the agricultural populations. The first rays of the opening dawn are touching the hamlets and the villages of provinces most remote, and the full discussion of rural life in China at times of dire privation and distress looks like the precursor of wise measures of alleviation. Meanwhile the newspapers unfold their tale of the hardships that have befallen the agriculturists who in China as everywhere are in a true comprehensive sense essential not only to the well-being but also to the very existence of the state. Nor does the public press fail to point out the evil that must needs arise from neglect of the 'bold peasantry' in the day of their calamity.

Where strong men through no fault of their own are deprived of the means of subsistence and those who might render aid turn a deaf ear to their sorrows and complaints, there are many among the peasantry who will not submit to sell their children or to throw away their own lives. These become a source of danger to the state. Driven to despair of the means of an honest livelihood there remains for them a career of crime. All roads that point in the direction of turning life to account by cheerful toil being closed against them they take the way of the robber and the spoiler. Every distressed region becomes infested with lawbreakers. The arm of authority is powerless to cope with the robber bands that by land or water render travelling in some parts becomes rampant and for years the region subject to flood or drought or pestilence and famine is known as a 'disturbed district.'

The above is written from the viewpoint of those who, having a long experience of things Chinese have had much occasion to sorrow over the apathy of the governing classes toward the governed masses that deserve better things at the hands of their rulers. Well will it be for the country when, covered by a network of railways to render transportation rapid and easy, it has also a measure of self-government insuring improved methods of providing for the needs of the people in bad years when the crops fail and the death is widespread and long continued.

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FRENCH FINANCES.

STRICT ECONOMY URGED.

(Exclusive Service supplied by Reuters, via Bombay.)

London, July 9.

The French Budget Committee has advised the Chamber of Deputies to vote no supplementary credits of any kind until the end of the current financial year.

THE NAVAL SCANDAL.

BERESFORD DEMANDS ENQUIRY.

(Exclusive Service, supplied by Reuters, via Bombay.)

London, July 9.

It is asserted at Devonport that Admiral Lord Charles Beresford intends to ask the Admiralty to order a full enquiry into his grievances.

Otherwise Lord Beresford will resign his command at the end of the manoeuvres now being carried out and will re-enter Parliament.

(Reuters Service.)

THE UNITED STATES FLEET.

London, July 8.

The United States Fleet has sailed from San Francisco for New Zealand.

BRITISH SUBMARINES.

London, July 8.

In connection with the naval manoeuvres, seventeen submarines steaming from Dover in a southerly direction have made a record run.

CHINA ASSOCIATION'S BANQUET TO SIR ROBERT HART.

London, July 8.

The China Association banquetted Sir Robert Hart yesterday evening, the guests including H. E. Wang, T. H. Sieb, Special Commissioner of the Chinese Government, and Lord Fitzmaurice, Under Secretary for Foreign Affairs. Mr. J. H. Scott, Chairman, in toasting Sir Robert, said that the Association had never before been honoured by so distinguished a guest.

Sir Robert Hart replying, said that he was confident the coming years would show that China had been storing her energy for ages to meet the new environment, and was prepared to face the problems of the future. She would ultimately show herself among the front powers of the world, and would prove a great factor in history. He begged for continued sympathy and support for China, and added that if the Customs department had achieved any good for China and the world, it was much due to the harmony and loyalty of the Chinese themselves.

Lord Fitzmaurice, responding to the toast of the guests, said it was not the fault of the Foreign Office that Sir Robert was not ranked with the diplomats of the Empire. In 1863 Sir Robert was offered a post by Earl Granville which he accepted, but subsequently declined from a high and honourable sense of duty.

THE NAVAL DISSENSIONS.

London, July 8.

Mr. Asquith replying to Lieut. Bellair, R.N., Liberal Member for Kings Lynn, said the government had no knowledge, apart from unverified rumours, of any dissensions in the navy. If however it is found that a state exists in any wise detrimental to discipline and smooth working in the fleet, he would not hesitate to take prompt and effective action. The direction of naval policy lies with the government, and it is the business of officers not to discuss or criticize that policy, but to carry it out with loyalty to their superiors, in harmony with one another, and with the single idea of the efficiency of the great service to which they belong.

RUSSIAN FINANCE.

London, July 8.

The Russian five per cent. internal loan of two hundred million roubles referred to in telegram of June 30th has been issued at 95.

A SHEEP SHEARER'S TRIALS.

I have followed the sheep-shearing season through New Zealand and all over Australia, says Mr. R. L. O'Connell of Dunedin, N.Z., "and changes of water and tucker always bring a flock of diarrhoea. The only relief on sheep from Chamberlain's Colic, Cholera and Diarrhoea Remedy. Every sheep has some diarrhoea who use this wonderful medicine and always come back with them. For sale by all chemists and storekeepers."

FIRE ON MAIL STEAMER.

THE MAILS DAMAGED.

(From Our Correspondent.)

SINGAPORE, July 9.

The Imperial German Mail Steamer Scharnhorst, which left Colombo on July 4, arrived to-day and reports that, during the voyage, a fire broke out in the provision room.

The outbreak was fortunately got under but all the mails were drenched with water and were badly damaged.

To suppress the fire it was found to be necessary to flood the mail room.

THE FLOOD.

GOVERNMENT HELP.

(Chinese Mail's Service.)

PEKING, July 10.

An Imperial Edict has been issued authorising the Kwangtung Viceroy Chang to apportion Tls. 100,000 for the relief of sufferers from the flood. This sum is to be drawn from Sin Hwa Chu, and the Viceroy is to see that the money is properly disposed of.

BURGLARY AT "ROUGE-MONT."

Sometime last night a burglar entered "Rouge-Mont," the residence of Mr. Shelton Hooper through a bedroom window and walked off with property worth \$150. The valuable chiefly consisted of Mr. Hooper's personal effects, and his was the only room visited, the burglar perhaps fearing to delay long enough to tour the house. He took with him a handful of cigars to cheer him on his way, and left behind on the veranda some substance wrapped up in paper that looked like sugar candy. He at first unrolled Mr. Hooper's cigarette case, but no doubt thinking it might prove dangerous he left it on the veranda in a cigar box. It was considered of him, and for that much Mr. Hooper will no doubt be duly thankful. There are, however, a few sets of sleeve links Mr. Hooper would also like.

MASSEY'S MAP AND DIRECTORY.

Miss K. A. Massey arrived from Shanghai on Tuesday evening after being delayed by various untoward events. Illness being one. Miss Massey is devoting the present week to preparation for commencing work on her Map and Wall Directory for 1909, which she intends publishing both in map and book form, as in Shanghai with her Commercial Map. The first edition of this work has already sold out, which seems to indicate that it will be popular here. We are asked to say that as the publication "London to London" has had to be judiciously postponed Miss Massey, before touching her map work is calling on all firms holding contracts for "London to London" and refunding the 20 per cent advanced, or transferring the whole contract or the percentage to the account of the map and Wall Directory now being compiled.

SPORTING.

Water Polo.

Two Water Polo matches in connection with the first round of the Water Polo competition under the auspices of the V.R.C. took place yesterday evening in the presence of a large number of spectators. In the first game between the 88th Co. R.G.A. and the Corinthian Yacht Club, the latter team easily won by twelve goals to nil. The second match was also very interesting and was between teams representing the 88th Co. R.G.A. and H.M.S. Thetis, the Naval team eventually winning by four goals to one.

The Hong Kong Engineers oppose the Hong Kong Yacht Club, to-morrow afternoon, at 4.30 p.m., in the first round of the Shield Competition.

WEATHER REPORT.

The following notice is issued by Mr. Figg of the Hong Kong Observatory:— On the 10th at 12.45 p.m.—The barometer has fallen generally, except on the N.E. coast of China.

Pressure remains somewhat low over N. China. It is still high over E. Japan. Moderate or light S.W. winds may be expected in the Formosa Channel and along the Northern shores of the China Sea.

Hongkong Rainfall for the 24 hours ending at 10 a.m. to-day, 0.00 inches.

Forecast for the 24 hours ending at noon to-morrow.

FORECAST DISTRICT.

1.—Hongkong and Neighbourhood: S.W. winds, light or moderate; fine.

2.—Formosa Channel, Same as No. 1.

3.—South coast of China between Hongkong and Lamook: Same as No. 1.

4.—South coast of China between Hongkong and Hainan: Same as No. 1.

FLOOD BAFUND ZAAR.

CONDUCTED ON EUROPEAN LINES BY CHINESE.

Opened By H.E. The Governor.

Amidst the innumerable indications of China's awakening, none stands out more prominent than the spontaneous and generous sympathy of Chinese in all parts of their great Empire, in the great and distressing calamity which has overtaken thousands of the inhabitants of South China, by the disastrous floods on the West and North Rivers.

The natives of Hongkong, probably by coming into closer contact with European ideas and methods, have certainly led the way in the promptitude with which they have instituted measures for the alleviation of the suffering, and for this purpose a bazaar, the first of its kind to be promoted by Chinese, on European lines, was opened in a spacious unshaded at Kennedy Town, this afternoon. One of the notable features of the bazaar, is that the stalls are under the supervision of Chinese ladies.

Gifts have poured in from all directions, since the appeal was put before the public, not merely from Chinese, but from a large majority of the most prominent members of the European Community in the Colony, these who have not given in kind, having generously contributed to the Flood Fund.

There was a very large gathering at the opening ceremony.

Mr. Fung Wa Chun, as chairman of the committee, and Ho Kam Tong, vice-chairman, received His Excellency the Governor, at the main entrance, and among these present were Hon. Mr. W. H. Davies, K.C., Attorney General; Hon. E. A. Irving, Registrar General; Major General R. G. Broadwood, Commanding the Forces in South China; Hon. Mr. W. Chatham; Right Rev. Bishop Poon, accompanied by Father Spada, Dr. J. M. Atkinson, Mr. A. J. Brackenbury, Mr. Shelton Hooper, Mr. Amos F. Wilder, American Consul, the German Consul, Captain Lyons, Messrs. Chai Sui Ki, Lau Chu Pak, Tan Tzeze Kan, Leung Pui Ching, Chun King Yue, Ho Kam Tong, Hung Wa Chung, Luk Hing Nui and many others. There were also several European ladies present.

Mr. Fung Wa Chun said: Your Excellency, Ladies and Gentlemen.—I have the honour as well as the great pleasure to ask Your Excellency to open this first charity bazaar that the Chinese public spirit has organized. I do so however, with some considerable trepidation, as this is absolutely the first bazaar that we Chinese here in Hongkong have ever attempted. Naturally we are diffident and backward in many things, and we almost despaired of success. But, with Your Excellency's kind presence and encouragement, we hope our weak efforts may realize a substantial amount of money for the relief of the poor sufferers in the recent floods. I do not wish to mar the present joyful occasion by recounting their intense sufferings in order to plead their cause. I leave all that to the imagination, and the well known charity of the Hongkong public. Before asking you, Sir, to perform the opening ceremony, I desire to tender to you the sincere and respectful thanks of the Committee, for your kind sympathy and consideration in coming amongst us this afternoon, and taking the leading part in the ceremony. (Applause.) I desire also to thank the European, for their liberal donations and contributions to the bazaar. Now, Your Excellency, we are ready to display our wares, and are more ready still to receive fancy prices for them. I will call upon you, therefore, with one pull to lessen the curtains of this temple of splendour, and at the same time the heart strings, and what is more important still, the purse strings of a rich and magnificent assembly. (Applause.)

His Excellency the Governor said:—Ladies and Gentlemen, we have read in the papers of the terrible distress in the neighbouring provinces of Kwangtung and Kwangsi which has been caused by recent floods. Rivers have burst their embankments and carried devastation over great areas. Great numbers of the population have been drowned and others have been rendered homeless, their food stores swept away and their crops destroyed. In this calamity the leading Chinese members of our community have come forward to help the sufferers of their own race with a generosity and a thoroughness for which they are justly renowned. It is a very striking testimony to the confidence which is felt in the Tung Wah Committee of Hongkong that the charitable institutions of Canton have asked them to undertake the task of collecting subscriptions from Chinese residents abroad, in California, Australia, the Straits, and Java, and that these communities are ready to respond and entrust their funds to the Tung Wah here, confident that they will be well applied under their direction. We in this British Colony may be and I am sure we all are proud of the world-wide reputation for integrity which our Chinese fellow subjects have established for themselves. Their untiring resources has prompted them to adopt a Western idea of a bazaar in order to raise funds. I had hitherto regarded bazaar as one of the prominent vice of Western civilization, but it is a benevolent vice and is not open to the same condemnation as some other Western methods which have of late, I regret to say, found favour in the East. The adaptation to the conditions of Chinese society marks a truly a very striking departure, and is opening this bazaar to-day I feel I am privileged to perform a

historical act. Those of us who are from Western lands are wont to regard our women as foremost in all that pertains to the relief of suffering and distress. We call them, and rightly, our ministering angels. We look to them to organize and direct campaigns on the pocket of the wealthy and to extract contributions therefrom by the arts of suasion and the virtues of insistence. To-day for the first time Chinese ladies are coming forward to assume the role of their western sisters and can publicly play the part of promoters of charitable undertakings. I wish them every success, and I am confident that they will achieve it, and that this bazaar to which so many have with equal generosity contributed will add a large sum to the already magnificent fund which has been raised by the generous and sympathetic gentlemen of the Chinese community of Hongkong. I have now much pleasure in declaring this bazaar opened. (Applause.)

His Excellency then pulled the silken cord and three hearty cheers were accorded to him. Miss Shi Tong, daughter of the late Mr. Ng Tung Sou, then pinned a beautiful flower in the coat of Sir Frederick Lugard, who was subsequently conducted round the bazaar by Mr. Fung Wa Chun.

The committee of the Flood Bazaar beg to acknowledge with thanks the following further gifts and donations.

The Electric Traction Co. of Hongkong Limited. 50 Electric fans (loan) electric current free.

Michudo's String Band. From 2-30 p.m. daily (perform free of charge).

Philippine Co. Ltd. 1 Large case Cigars (157 boxes) 1 Large case Cigarettes (1500 pkts).

Messrs. Weisman Ltd. 100 1/2 pkts chocolates (more if required).

Italian Convent. Assortment of needlework.

Cruz Baste & Co. Large assortment of miscellaneous articles.

Mr. A. Wiell. 12 flower ornaments. Bellini School girls. Large assortment Embroideries, Toys, Picture books, confectionery etc., to the value of \$300.00.

Messrs. Lane Crawford & Co. 108 tins Biscuits, 78 tin Soup, 24 tins Salmon, 24 tins Sweets, 50 small Mirrors and Combs.

Mr. J. H. Kemp. Cheque for \$10.00. His Lordship Bishop D. Pozzoni, 1 valuable travelling clock, and 1 Inkpot.

The Paris Toilet Co. Ltd., Large assortment of miscellaneous toilet articles.

Messrs. Grossman and Co. 28 dressed dolls.

Messrs. H. Scott and Co. 100 Bags Flour.

Messrs. Weldon House, Ltd., 1 Lot Ribbon.

Messrs. Barretto and Co., Agents Messrs. Lipton Ltd., 1 case 600 Pinks Lipton Tea.

Rev. Father C. M. Spada. 2 Silk Cushions, 1 Fancy Box, 1 Cigar holder.

Messrs. O. C. Moore, 1 Lot Ribbon.

Poo Leung Kok girls. Assorted collection of miscellaneous articles.

Mr. Wong Lai Chuen, Assorted collection of miscellaneous articles.

Messrs. Ulderup and Schluter. Miscellaneous goods including several cases Champagne, Whisky, etc.

Mr. C. D. Malbourne, Cheque for \$10.00.

Messrs. Wilks and Jack, 1 large electric flower stand ornamental pattern with coloured lamps, etc., etc.

Japanese Ladies' Wednesday Society, per Vice Consul Funatsu of Japan, Cheque for \$300.00.

A MARRIAGE FAIR.

Quaint Belgian Custom.

PARIS, June 4.

Not forty miles from the French frontier, a short hour's railway journey, there was held yesterday a novel kind of White Monday fair at the little village of Whit Monday, in Belgium. It is no survival of an old custom, but a curious product of the progress and decadence we hear so much about in this twentieth century. The marriage fair of Esausines was inaugurated in 1902, and was repeated for the seventh time yesterday as an experiment to solve the problem of depopulation. It began in this wise. Certain spinners had read of how in times past a single lover would plant an elm or alder bush under the windows of his elected, and if she looked on him with favour, he and she would be married. In this calamity the leading Chinese members of our community have come forward to help the sufferers of their own race with a generosity and a thoroughness for which they are justly renowned. It is a very striking testimony to the confidence which is felt in the Tung Wah Committee of Hongkong that the charitable institutions of Canton have asked them to undertake the task of collecting subscriptions from Chinese residents abroad, in California, Australia, the Straits, and Java, and that these communities are ready to respond and entrust their funds to the Tung Wah here, confident that they will be well applied under their direction. We in this British Colony may be and I am sure we all are proud of the world-wide reputation for integrity which our Chinese fellow subjects have established for themselves. Their untiring resources has prompted them to adopt a Western idea of a bazaar in order to raise funds. I had hitherto regarded bazaar as one of the prominent vice of Western civilization, but it is a benevolent vice and is not open to the same condemnation as some other Western methods which have of late, I regret to say, found favour in the East. The adaptation to the conditions of Chinese society marks a truly a very striking departure, and is opening this bazaar to-day I feel I am privileged to perform a

At first, plenty of irreverent jokers flocked in, but were put to shame by the modest seriousness of the Esausineses and the somnolent speech of their president. The first year only ten weddings followed, then twenty, then thirty, and last year fifty. Special trains had to be put on, and candidates poured into the little town of 1200 inhabitants from France, Germany, and Russia. The hundreds of Esausineses for themselves totally unable to meet the demand. Abjuring all protectionist theories, the president of this year, Mlle. Victorine Corbes, issued a manifesto imploring reinforcement, and the wise virgins of Brabant and Flanders came to the rescue of their sisters of the Hainault who were threatened with an army of suitors. The marriage fair of 1906, therefore, marks an epoch and the date of the inauguration of this amusing fete of lovers in entirety.

SCOTTISH LETTER.

EDINBURGH, June 12.

(From Our Correspondent.)

The two strong and timely measures passed by the Indian Legislative Council are attracting much attention in Scotland. It is satisfactory to note that, on the whole, they receive the warmest support from our press. Great confidence is felt in Lord Minto, as a local nobleman of whom we have good knowledge. But it is amusing to note that most of the responsible Ministerial organs are offensive in their attitude to Lord Morley for his support of the Men on the Spot. Evidently it is more than they expected, and they cannot conceal the agreeableness of their surprise. Some of them are even courageous enough to express the opinion,—which they carefully concealed while the matter was still under consideration,—that the only fault they can find is the dilatoriness in taking action.

The "Scotsman," the leading newspaper in the East of Scotland, gives expression to the general view when it says:—"Not defence, far less apology, but hearty assent and approval should mark the reception of the Acts; and 'an apologetic attitude on the part of the India Office or the Indian Government would be incongruous and almost weak.' It goes on to state that with regard to these measures 'there can and will be no misconception in India. There the situation is thoroughly apprehended, and by none better than the sedition-mongers and the plotters of treason and murder. They will be chastened, but not surprised; they may rage in public as far as they dare; but in their hearts they will respect a strong Government.'"

The "Glasgow Herald," writing of the long delay in proposing the measures, says:—"It is not to be overlooked that public opinion in this country has to be convinced and conciliated before there can be resort to methods which in any degree appear to be harsh or oppressive. Even yet, after delay which Europeans in India resent and untutored native opinion has perhaps interpreted as the symptoms of weakness, there are likely to be protests from a small but by no means negligible minority which seems to delight in misrepresenting our administration and encouraging the misguided who foolishly believe that, by violence and outrage they are helping a nationality rightly struggling to be free."

Then, after a reference to Mr. Keir-Hardin's ill-judged actions and speeches, it goes on:—"Although it is for the thousandth time, it must be repeated that the language of Occidental agitation will not bear translation into the vernacular of the Orient. Words that on British platforms seem colourless and commonplace, advice that is only meant to win a clear and is forgotten before the lights are out, are given a literal context when they are addressed to men of a different race. If you tell an Indian patriot that he is the victim of a despotism, is there room for surprise if, passionate as he is, half-educated, and wholly impatient of the discipline of the West, he takes the words of legal and constitutional agitation, and flings them. If with all the vehemence of his nature into the lawless campaigning of the anarchist?"

The "Glasgow News" is of opinion that "The Acts have come not a day too soon; they are rather a long time overdue." The only attempt at adverse criticism comes from a penny paper, and the worst thing said by it is that the Acts are "a regrettable necessity."

The display will be so remarkable in its every aspect that a few details may be permitted even for readers in the far away East. It opens with an allegory of the City of Edinburgh, the old arms being surrounded by a crowd of halberdiers and trumpeters, followed by representatives of Divinity, Law, Learning, Medicine, Agriculture, Science, and Art; and the ancient "Blue Blanket" the Craft Banner of Edinburgh, will be carried by members of the Trades. Then comes a representation of the "Celtic Races," a picture founded on mythical and poetical lore, and recalling the "Legends" of the Highlands and Islands. Great dignity has been exercised by those in charge of this section (Professor Schlapp and Mr. John Duncan, artist) in the devising of appropriate costumes for the divinities and their worshippers of those early ages.

An "Arthurian Cycle" shows mail-clad knights and their richly dressed lady loves, organised by lady artists from Glasgow. Miss Jessie M. King, Mrs. Allan D. Maindie, Miss Paxton Brown, and others. The pageant which is to be held to-morrow in the grounds of the Scottish National Exhibition, under the auspices of the Scottish Children's League of Pity, will be the most magnificent spectacle of the kind ever seen in the North. Over eighteen hundred ladies and gentlemen and children will take part in the allegorical, legendary, and historical procession and in the "Masque of the Seasons" which is to follow. It has occasioned an extraordinary amount of interest in the City and in various parts of Scotland. The performers will include both "gentle and simple." All ranks and professions are taking a share in it, and many county houses are not only to be represented by the members of their families, but are lending dresses, and other accessories in order to contribute to historical accuracy.

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"Early Churches" is taken charge of by Mrs. Tiquair and Mr. J. S. Robertson, the chief characters being represented by members of the choir of St. Mary's Cathedral and St. Columba's Church. "Scotland of the Past" has brought out a great amount of skill and research.—Miss Daisy Trotter, Colinton House, managing the whole of this section. Mrs. Gibson, wife of the Lord Provost, is responsible for "James the Sixth" and the Flodden period, and the Art School students have assisted by making copies of portraits, and so on, to serve as models for the leading actors. Queen Margaret is impersonated by Miss Jameson, daughter of Lord Ardvall.

The "Charles the First" group is arranged by Mr. Fiddes Watt. Lady Duncuin marshals the "Jacobite group of 1746," assisted by Mr. Skoche Cunningham, an authority on this period, and Miss Emily Peterson. It is interesting to note that the Prince will be personated by a gentleman connected with the House of Argyle, which fought against the Prince on the Hanoverian side.—Mr. Eric Clough Taylor, a nephew of the present Duke, and son of Major Clough Taylor of Firby Hall, who married the Lady Elizabeth Campbell.

The "Queen Mary group" is under the charge of Miss Agnew, daughter of Sir State Agnew; the "Montrose group" is under Lieutenant Andrew Gordon; and "The Covenanters" are under Professor Peterson. "A Masque of the Seasons" is designed by Mr. E. A. Walton, R.S.A.; and this is followed by the play of "St. George and the Dragon," for which Mr. Walter Crane has come down from London to take part. An enormous amount of labour has been expended on the dresses and banners and ornamental bearings, almost every Scottish authority being requisitioned. As for the actors, as has been said, they represent every class in the community, from the Army to the Police, the Chief Constable having placed one of his stalwart men at the disposal of the League to represent the Highlanders who were faithful to Prince Charles.

One of the ecclesiastical events of the month is the pulling down of the oldest Scottish building in London, the tower known to every Scotch countryman—the Crown Court Church. Indeed, it is the oldest Scottish Church in England. Others than Presbyterians will identify it with the ministry of "Second Coming." De Cuming. Since the renovation and opening out of streets in the Dury Lane district, the decaying structure, which was erected in 1718, has looked very forlorn, and a new church is therefore to be built. It will cost £2500, one-half of which has already been subscribed.

The King has been pleased to appoint Mr. Robert Gibb, R.S.A., as Painter and Limner to the King in Scotland. In the beginning of his career, Mr. Gibb became known for his rendering of Celtic subjects. But he has since become famous for military pictures, in which he illustrates the pathos and tragedy as well as the glory of war. He painted "Columbus," which has been carried all over the world by cupwinners. "The Retreat from Moscow," "The Thin Red Line," "Alma," the Advance of the 42nd Highlanders, "Saving the Colours," and "Hougoumont, 1815." At present, he is engaged depicting the rush of the Gordons at Balaclava.

Professor Samuel Genell, M.D., Professor of Clinical Medicine in the University of Glasgow, has been appointed Professor of Practice of Medicine in that University, in place of the late Sir T. McCall Anderson.

OPIUM SUPPRESSION.

Inquisitorial Methods.

A Bureau, says "Chinese Public Opinion," has been established in Peking for the examination of opium-smoking officials. The following regulations are issued for governing the same:—

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- (3) Times for meals and sleep are fixed and are watched by officials of the Bureau.
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- (5) No friend or relation shall visit any official while in the Bureau except on very urgent business when an official of the Bureau must be present at the interview.
- (6) In case of sickness the official doctor will attend but he is strictly to call in another doctor for consultation. No drugs, however, shall be administered except by the official doctor. If the sickness is very serious the patient may be removed to his own home, but when cured he must return to the Bureau for further examination.
- (7) When passed, as cured of the opium habit, by the Bureau a certificate will be given and the official may then return to duty.
- (8) Should a discharged official be subsequently accused of relapsing to the habit he will be sent back for examination and if the accusation is found to be correct he will be instantly degraded.

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More than 100 Chinamen who are employed in Liverpool laundries took part in a picnic on June 8, at New Brighton. Later in the day a hostile demonstration was made against them by Liverpool laundry women, who complain that they are ruining the laundry trade by undercutting.

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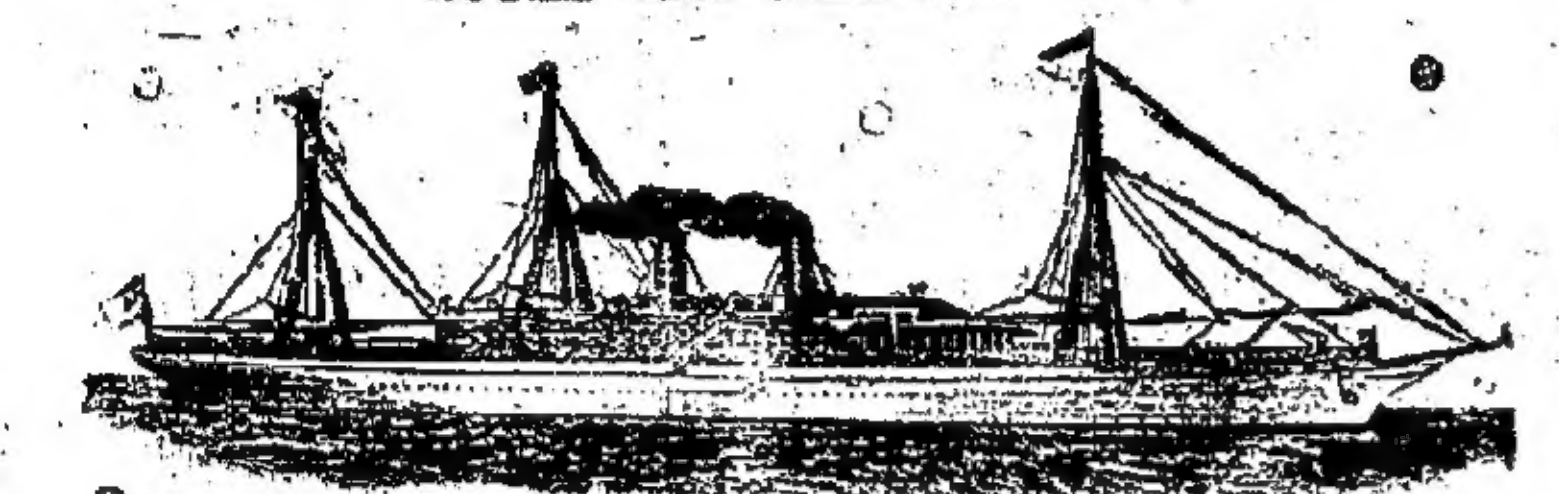
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SHANGHAI, NAGASAKI, KOBE AND YOKOHAMA.	SCHARNHORST, Capt. L. Maas.	WEDNESDAY, 16th July, at Noon.
MANILA, NEW GUINEA, SAMARAI, BRISBANE, SYDNEY AND MELBOURNE.	PRINZ WALDEMAR, Capt. W. v. Seidel.	TUESDAY, 18th July, at 5 p.m.
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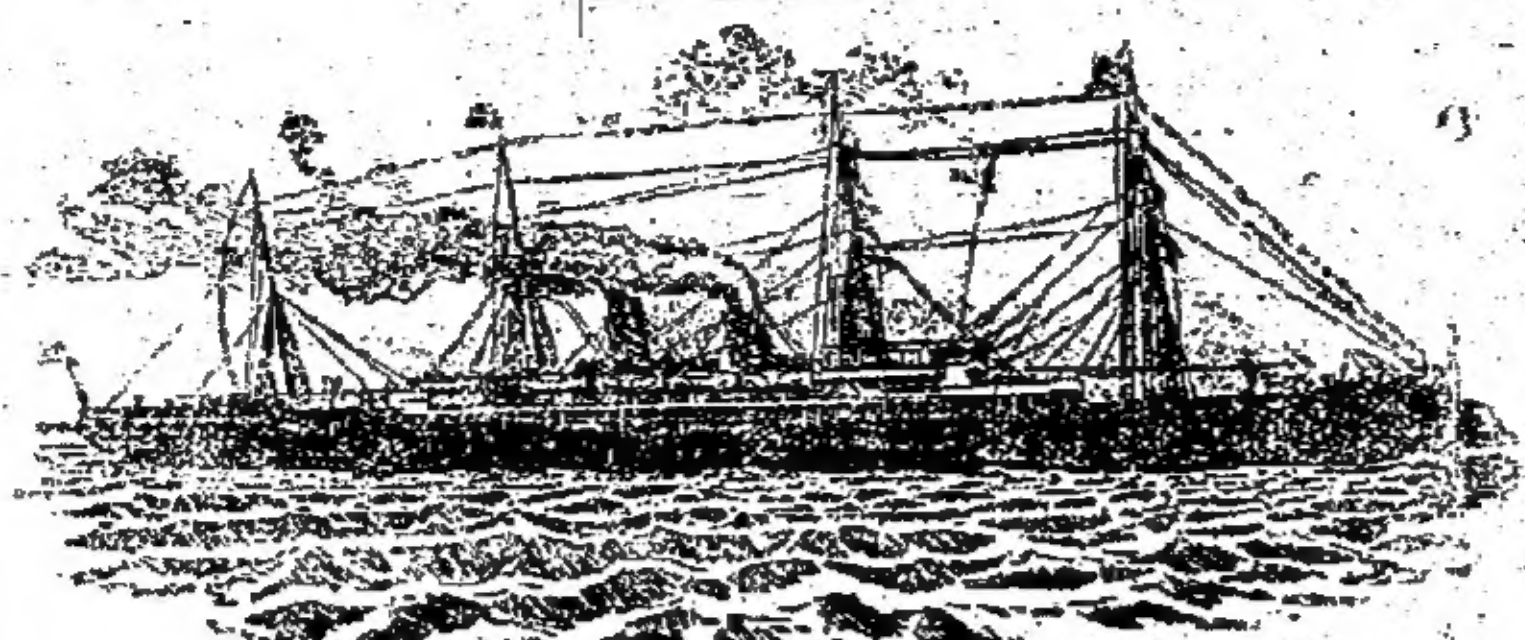
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FOR	STEAMERS	CAPTAIN	To Sail
SHANGHAI KORE AND YOKOHAMA	ARMAND BEHIC	GUICHENET	July 20, p.m.
MARSEILLES Via Ports	CALEDONNIEN	LEMONNIER	July 21, at 1 p.m.
SHANGHAI KORE AND YOKOHAMA	YARRA	SHELLER	Aug. 3, p.m.
MARSEILLES Via Ports	TOURANE	LACROIX	Aug. 4, at 1 p.m.

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- Hongkong, April 9, 1908.



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PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG:
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JOSHIN MARU , Capt. H. S. MARU.	TAMSAI, Via SWATOW, AMOI, AND AMOI.	SUNDAY, 12th July, at 9 a.m.
CHOSHUN MARU , Capt. T. SURUGA.	SHANGHAI, Via SWATOW, AMOI, AND FOCHOW.	THURSDAY, 18th July, at 10 a.m.
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Steamship	Tons	Captain	For	Sailing Date
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RUBI2640	R. W. Almond	Manila	July 18, at Noon.	

For Freight or Passage, apply to
Shewan, Tomes & Co.,
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Notices to Consignees.

PACIFIC MAIL STEAMSHIP CO.
NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.
FROM SAN FRANCISCO, HONOLULU, JAPAN & SHANGHAI.

CONSIGNEES OF CARGO per Steamship MANCHURIA.
The above named Steamer having arrived, the Consignees of Cargo are hereby notified to send in their Bills of Lading for countersignature, and to take immediate delivery from alongside.
Cargo impeding discharge of the vessel will be discharged at once, at Consignees' risk and expense.
Cargo remaining on board after WEDNESDAY, 8th July, 1908, at 6 p.m., will be landed and stored at Consignees' risk and expense.
No Fire Insurance will be effected.
All cargo undischarged at Noon, MONDAY, 13th July, 1908, will be subject to re-shipment.
All chafed and otherwise damaged cargo will be examined at the above Company's warehouse on SATURDAY, 11th July, at 10 a.m.
S. SILVERSTONE, Agent.
Hongkong, July 6, 1908.

AMERICAN ASIATIC STEAMSHIP COMPANY.
NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.
FROM NEW YORK.

THE Steamship INDRAMAYO, Capt. E. A. THIRICK, having arrived from the above port, Consignees of Cargo are hereby notified that their goods are being landed at their risk into the Godowns of the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Co., Ltd., Kowloon, and stored at Consignees' risk and expense.

All broken, chafed, and damaged Goods are to be left in the Godowns, where they will be examined on MONDAY, the 13th inst., at 2 p.m.
All Claims must be presented within fifteen days of the steamer's arrival here after which date they cannot be recognized.
No Claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the Godowns, and all Goods remaining undischarged after the 13th inst., will be subject to re-shipment.
No Fire Insurance has been effected.
Bills of Lading will be countersigned by SHEWAN, TOMES & CO., General Agents.
Hongkong, July 6, 1908.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.
STEAMER TOURANE.
COMPAGNIE DES MESSEGERIES MARITIMES.

CONSIGNEES OF CARGO from London ex s.s. *Alfred*, from Havre ex s.s. *Medoc*; from Bordeaux ex s.s. *Pile d'Arras*, in connection with the above Steamer, are hereby informed that their Goods, with the exception of Cotton, Woollen and Valuable, are being landed and stored at their risk into the Godowns of the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Co., Ltd., Kowloon, where delivery may be obtained immediately after landing.
Optional Cargo will be forwarded on unless intimation is received from the Consignees before Noon, 10th July, requesting it to be landed here.
Bills of Lading will be countersigned by the undersigned. Goods remaining undischarged after MONDAY, the 13th July, at Noon, will be subject to re-shipment and landing charges.
All Claims must be sent in to me on or before the 13th July, or they will not be recognized.
All damaged packages will be examined on MONDAY, the 13th July, at 2 p.m.
No Fire Insurance has been effected.
P. NALIN, Acting Agent.
Hongkong, July 6, 1908.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.
FROM SHANGHAI, YOKOHAMA, KORE AND MOJI.

THE Steamship *Japan* having arrived from the above Ports, Consignees of Cargo are hereby informed that their Goods will be delivered from alongside.
Cargo impeding the discharge will be landed at Consignees' risk and expense into the Godowns of the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Company, Limited.
No Fire Insurance has been effected.
Bills of Lading will be countersigned by the undersigned.
D. SASSOON & Co., Ltd., Agents.
Hongkong, July 8, 1908.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.
THE PENINSULAR AND ORIENTAL STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY'S STEAMER MARMORA.

FROM BOMBAY, COLOMBO AND STRAITS.

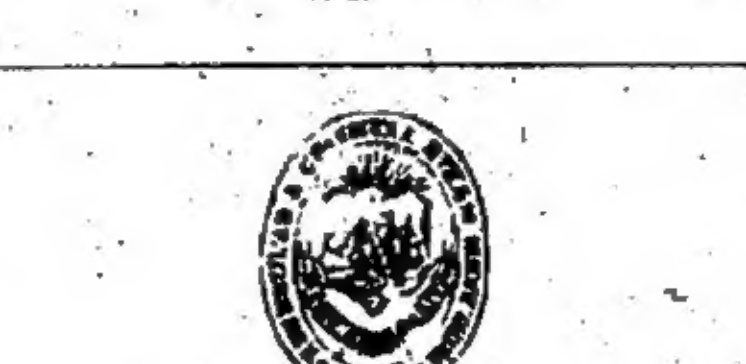
CONSIGNEES OF CARGO by the above named Vessel are hereby informed that their Goods are being landed and placed at their risk in the Godowns of the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Company's Godowns at Kowloon, where each consignment will be sorted out Mark by Mark and delivery can be obtained as soon as the Goods are landed.
This vessel being on a voyage to the East, the Goods will be landed here unless instructions are given to the contrary before 6 Hours.
Goods not cleared by the 15th inst., at 4 p.m., will be subject to re-shipment.
No Fire Insurance will be effected by me in any case whatever.
Damaged Packages must be left in the Godowns for examination by the Consignees and the Company's representative as an expedient hour. All Claims must be presented within ten days of the steamer's arrival here, after which date they cannot be recognized. No Claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the Godowns.
F. J. ABBOTT, Acting Superintendent.
Hongkong, July 9, 1908.

THE "THUNDERER."

Growth of Circulation.

Mr. W. T. Stand has succeeded in revealing to the world a statement from the manager of The Times that the daily sale of that journal is very much greater than the average person has hitherto believed. In the Review of Reviews for May it was said:—To-day its (The Times) circulation is the lowest of all the London morning papers with the doubtful exception of the Morning Advertiser. But in Dehane's time it had 40,000 subscribers, while no other morning paper had more than 7,000, and all the rest of them put together were under 20,000.
To this Mr. Moberly Bell retorts: The Times of to-day certainly cannot claim to have double the circulation of all the London papers, but we can at least assert with absolute truth that our circulation is at all events considerably above that of 40,000 which you ascribe to it in Mr. Dehane's time, and I trust that it is just to you to say you will remove the perhaps unintentional suggestion that it is below it. The recent litigation between the proprietors as to the allocation of profits is no doubt responsible for the impression that the circulation of The Times has suffered. As a matter of fact it is now 25 per cent. higher than it was five years ago, and owing to the growing tendency of many other newspapers towards brevity, and, therefore, less completeness, the demand for The Times as a national record will no doubt increase not only at home but all over the world. In order to meet that increased demand The Times will, in the course of the present year, be considerably enlarged, and an elaborate equipment of new machinery will be installed at Printing House Square capable of producing The Times more perfectly and with a much greater and more rapid output than at present.

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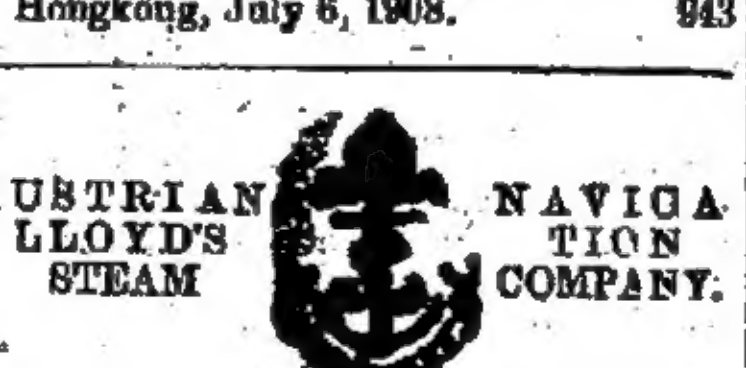
THE Steamship *MALTA*, Captain R. A. FERRIS, carrying His Majesty's Mails, will be despatched from the BOMBAY, &c., on SATURDAY, the 11th July, at Noon, taking Passengers and Cargo for the above ports in connection with the Company's Steamship *China*, 8,000 tons, from Colombo. Passengers' accommodation in which vessel is secured before departure from Hongkong.
Suez and Valuable, all Cargo for France and the West Indies (under arrangement) will be transhipped at Colombo into the mail steamer proceeding to Marseilles and London; other cargo for London, &c., will be conveyed from Bombay by the B.M.S. *Arcturion*, due in London on the 23rd August, 1908.
Parcels will be received at this Office until 4 p.m. the day before sailing. The contents and value of all packages are required.
For further Particulars, apply to
F. J. ABBOTT, Acting Superintendent.
Hongkong, June 29, 1908.

'GLEN' LINE OF STEAMERS.
FOR LONDON & ANTWERP, VIA SUEZ CANAL.

THE Steamship GLENAVON, Captain WOLFENDEN, will be despatched as above on MONDAY, the 13th July, 1908.

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Hongkong, July 6, 1908.

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THE Co's Steamship NIPPOON, Captain E. TARAPOHTE, will be despatched as above on or about SATURDAY, the 25th July.

This Steamer has capital accommodation for passengers, Electric Light and carries a Doctor.
For information as to Passage & Freight, apply to
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Hongkong, June 25, 1908.

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HONGKONG AVERAGE MARKET PRICES.

Corrected to Thursday, July 2nd, 1908.
At 100 cents per Dollar Mexican.

Slaughter Meat.

Beef strict and prime cut—Mal Lang Pa	lb 10
Corried—Ham Ngau Yuk	lb 10
Donkey—Shin	lb 20
Breast—Nga Lam	lb 15
Soup—Hong Yut	lb 15
Steak—Nga Yut Pa	lb 20
Autum Ngau Lam Sirloin	lb 28
Mutton—Nga Lam	lb 26
Ballock's Brains, Stew	per set 10
Tongue—Nga Lam	each 50
Corried—Ham Ngau Lam	lb 50
Head—Nga Lam	lb 10
Heart—Nga Lam	lb 14
Stump, Salt—Nga Lam	lb 18
Kidneys—Nga Lam	each 10
Tail—Nga Lam	lb 17
Liver—Nga Lam	lb 19
Tripe (undressed)—Nga Lam	lb 7
Calves Head & Feet—Nga Lam	each \$1.00
Mutton Chop—Young Fat Kwat	lb 22
Leg—Young Fat	lb 22
Shoulder—Young Fat	lb 20
Pigs' Chittlings—Chi chong	per set 24
Brine—Chi Know	per set 9
Feet—Chi Kerk	lb 2
Fry—Chi Chak	lb 10
Head—Chi Tau	lb 12
Heart—Chi Sam	each 9
Kidneys—Chi Yit	lb 8
Liver—Chi Opa	lb 30
Pork Chop—Chi Fat Kwat	lb 23
Corried—Ham Chu Yuk	lb 10
Leg—Chi Fat	lb 23
Fat or Lard—Chi Yau	lb 18
Sheep's Head and Feet—Young Fat	each 5
Heart—Young Fat	each 6
Kidneys—Young Fat	lb 10
Liver—Young Fat	lb 12
Sucking Pigs, To Order—Chi Chak	each 12
Suck, Beef—Sung Ngau Yau	lb 20
Mutton—Sung Young Yau	lb 14
Veal—Nga Lam	lb 20
Bananas—Nga Lam	each 20

Poultry.

Chicken—Kai Chai	each 50
Capon, Large, Small—Siu Kai	each 38
Duck—Ayi	each 19
Dove—Fan Kan	each 10
Eggs, Hen—Kai Tan	per dozen 24
Fowl, Canton—Kai	lb 10
Balloon—Kai Nam Kai	each 27
Goose—Ngai	each 19
Goose, Wild—Shi Yee Ngai	each 10
Amber—Wong Keng	each 10
Partridge—Chi Kerk	each 10
Pheasant—Shan Kai	each 10
Pigeons, Canton—Pak Kip	each 26
Quail—Ho Chow	each 22
Quail—Um Chuen	each 22
Rice Birds—Wo Ka Chak	each 20
Snipe—Sa Choy	each 10
Turkeys Cook—Pak Kai Kung	each 60
Han	each 46
Wild Ducks, Shai—Shang's Shai	each 10
Teal—Sui Ap Chai	each 10
Wild Ducks Canton—Sung's Shai Ap	each 10

Fish.

Barbel—Ka Yu	lb 10
Bream—Bin Yu	lb 10
Canton Fresh Water Fish—Hot Bin Yu	lb 10
Carp—Li Yu	lb 10
Catfish—Chik Yu	lb 10
Codfish—Mun Yu	lb 10
Crabs—Hal	lb 10
Cuttle Fish—Mak Yu	lb 10
Dab—Sa Mang Yu	lb 10
Doros—Wong Ma Lam	lb 10
Dog Fish—Tat Yu	lb 10
Eel, Gungor—Hal Mann	lb 10
Fresh water—Tam Shi Yu	lb 10
Sek, Yellow—Wong Shi	lb 10
Frog—Tian Kai	lb 10
Grouper—Sok Kai	lb 10
Gulchong—Pak Kip Yu	lb 10
Herrings—Tao Pak	lb 10
Halibut—Cheung Kwau Kip	lb 10
Labrus—Wong Yu Yu	lb 10
Loach—Wu Yu	lb 10
Mackerel—Chai Yu	lb 10
Milk Fish—Mong Yu	lb 10
Mullet—Chai Yu	lb 10
Oysters—Sung Hoo	lb 10
Parrotfish—Kai Kung Yu	lb 10
Perch—Tao Loo	lb 10
Pike—Fa Pau Fong	lb 10
Plaice—Fai Yu	lb 10
Pomfret, Black—Hak Chong	lb 10
Pomfret, White—Fak Chong	lb 10
Prawn—Ming Ha	lb 10
Ray—Fai Yu	lb 10
Rock Fish—Bak Kai Kung	lb 10
Seach—Chi Yu	lb 10

Meat.

Shank—Ma Yan Yu	lb 10
Shank—Se Yu	lb 10
Shank—Po Yu	lb 10
Shrimp—Ha	lb 10
Squid—Lap Yu	lb 10
Sole, Salt Sa Yu	lb 10
Tench—Wan Yu	lb 10
Turbot—Cho Hoo Yu	lb 10
Turtle, small, fresh water—Kerk Yu	lb 10
White Fish—Nga Yu Chai	lb 10

Fruits.

Almonds—Hung Yau	lb 24
Apples (California)—Kam San Ping Kho	lb 10
(Chico)—Tin Chai Ping Kho	lb 10
Small—Hoi Tong	lb 10
Guava—Fai Lai Chi	lb 10
Banana, fragrant, Canton—San Shing	lb 10
Banana, (brides), Macao—San Hing Chai	lb 10
Cherries, Chinese—Yong Lai	lb 10
Cayenne—Young Tuo	lb 10
Cocoanuts—Yeh Tuo	each 10
Lemons—China—Xing Mung	lb 14
America—Kam San Ning Mung	lb 14
Licenses Dried—Lai Chi Small Stone	lb 10
—Fresh	lb 10
Limes (Saison)—Sai Kung Ning Mung	lb 10
Malaga, Malaga—Lai Sung Mung	lb 10
Mangosteen—San Chik Tai	per 100 \$3.00
Oranges (Canton)—San Shing Tam Chong	lb 18
Oranges Sweet	lb 18
Pears (American)—Kam San Shui Li	lb 10
(Canton), Cooking—Sa Li	lb 20
Peaches—Fa Sang	lb 10
Pineapples Large—Hung Chai	lb 10
Pineapples, 1st quality—Shung Poon Tai	lb 10
Fai Lau	each 10
Spiculating—Chung-tung-pai Lau	lb 10
Plantains—Tat Chai	lb 10
Plums—Swatow Hung Lai	lb 10
Pomelo, Siam—Chin Lo Yau	each 20
Shanghai—Lo Kwat	lb 10
Walnuts—Hoi Tuo	lb 12
Green—Sung Hop Tuo	lb 10
Water Melon—(Am.) Kam San Sai Kwai	lb 10
(China) Sai Kwai	lb 10
Grape—Sung Po Tai Tai	lb 10

Vegetables, &c.

Artichokes, Shanghai—Shung Hoi Ah	lb 10	竹筴菜
Chick	lb 10	豆苗
Beans (French), Macao—Chin Moon Pin Tai	lb 10	澳門邊豆
(French), Shanghai—Shung Hoi Ah	lb 10	上海邊豆
Potatoes	lb 10	芽菜
Sprouts—Ah Chai	lb 10	豆角
Long—Tao Koi	lb 10	紅菜頭
Beet Root—Hong Chai Tai	lb 10	青元茄
Brinjals, Green—Ching Yuen Tai	lb 10	芥菜
Red—Hung Kerk	lb 10	紅椰菜
Cabbage, Chinese, com.—Kai Choy	lb 10	椰菜
Cabbage Red—Hung Yeh Choy	lb 10	膠筍
Cabbage (Shanghai)—Yeh Chai	lb 10	大椰菜
Carrots, bunch—Kam Shui	lb 10	花椰菜
Carrots, Large size—Tat Yeh Chai	lb 10	中椰菜
Medium size—Chung Yeh Chai	lb 10	細椰菜
Small size—Sai Yeh Chai	lb 10	金筍
Cauliflower—Tong Kam Chai	lb 10	芹芹菜
Chillies, Green—Ching Yuen Tai	lb 10	干葱
Red—Hung Tai	lb 10	乾辣椒
Green—Ching Yeh Chai	lb 10	紅辣椒
Curry Stuff, English—Kai Loo Chai	lb 10	青辣椒
Cucumbers—Ching Kwa	lb 10	加厘瓜
Spinach—Fai Kwa	lb 10	青瓜
Spinach—Suen	lb 10	苦瓜
Winter Squash—Fai Kwa	lb 10	蒜頭
Ginger, young—Sun Tai Keung	lb 10	新子薑

JAPANESE BUSINESS METHODS.

Opinion in India.

In a report to the Foreign Office, the Japanese Consul at Calcutta states that Japanese merchants engaged in foreign trade have begun to direct their attention to the trade with India, and many are anxious to open business with merchants in Calcutta, but the native merchants are in general not reliable, and have little credit. It is thus very risky to open direct business with them. It would be safer to commence by corresponding with foreign merchants in India. Recently a representative of an influential Japanese firm in Tokyo arrived in Calcutta, and was introduced to some respectable foreign merchants, but every one of them declined the proposition to open direct business, on the ground that in their past experience they had found that Japanese merchants purchasing goods from India made all manner of complaints. These merchants said that the trouble was involved with the fact that the Japanese did not like to do any business direct with Japanese, while as for imports, Japanese merchants were generally not up to samples. When in some cases the quality was not up to the sample, the matter being settled by the offer of a reduction in price. The trouble and annoyance thus caused generally resulted in a loss on the transaction, and the merchants therefore declined to do any business direct with Japanese.

SHANGHAI NEWSPAPER EDITOR CURED

OF ACTUE RHEUMATISM BY DR WILLIAMS' PINK PILLS.

MR N. E. H. Egan, editor of "Israel's Messenger," the official organ of the Zionist Association in Shanghai, writes to Dr. Williams' Pink Pills for Pale People. These Pills, it may be mentioned, have cured more cases of Rheumatism than of any other ailment. Mr. Egan tells his story as follows:

"For two years I suffered from Rheumatism in my leg. During the cold weather the pain was intense and acute. Every day the malady was taking a stronger hold on



"The pain was intense."

"I was advised to go to Japan to take sulphur baths and to have a massage, but being a busy man I could not afford the time for this."

"I was then recommended to try Dr. Williams' Pink Pills, and after taking these Pills for a little over a month I find myself completely cured."

"I can walk a long distance without feeling the pain any more. The change is so pronounced that I feel it my duty to recommend Dr. Williams' Pink Pills to all those suffering from Rheumatism."

Dr. Williams' editorial office is at 37 Yuhang Road, Shanghai, China.

The fact should never be overlooked that Dr. Williams' Pink Pills for Pale People are not a "quick" medicine, but on the contrary, represent the life-work of a thoroughly qualified and greatly gifted physician—an M.D. of Edinburgh University, Scotland. It is for this reason that they are so effective in curing Rheumatism, and are especially recommended by their use. They are obtainable at most shops where medicines are sold, and also direct from the Dr. Williams' Medicine Co., Oremingham Bridge, Singapore, who send 6 bottles for \$20/- or 1 bottle for \$1.50, post free to any address.

EXCHANGE.

Hongkong, July 10, 1908.
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